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REPORT OF THE SELECTMEN

For the Year ending February 15, 1899.

VALUATION OF THE TOWN APRIL 1, 1898.

Real estate,	$350,835 00
208 polls,	20,800 00
388 horses,	19,348 00
34 oxen,	2,145 00
458 cows,	12,977 00
141 neat,	2,749 00
499 sheep,	1,554 00
4 hogs,	34 00
21 carriages,	2,065 00
Stock in banks,	18,137 00
Money on hand and at interest,	30,209 00
Stock in trade,	18,925 00
Mills and machinery,	13,940 00
	$493,718 00

Rate of taxation, $1.38 on $100.

AMOUNT OF TAX REQUIRED BY LAW AND VOTE OF TOWN.

State tax,	$1,049 75
County tax,	1,009 95
School tax,	1,600 00
Highway tax,	1,500 00
Ordinary town charges,	800 00

Interest on Kingsbury fund,	$36 36
Town library,	74 10
School supplies,	150 00
Repairs, schoolhouses,	50 00
Bonds and interest,	326 00
Percentage,	217 36
Total,	$6,813 52

ORDERS DRAWN TO PAY TOWN OFFICERS.

E. M. Smith, services as moderator,	$3 00
M. F. Greene, services as selectman, 1897,	45 00
M. L. Richardson, services as selectman, 1897,	37 00
J. S. Prouty, services as selectman, 1897,	107 00
Ceylon M. Dodge, services as supervisor,	5 00
John N. Hodskins, services, digging graves,	9 00
John N. Hodskins, services, digging two graves,	4 00
E. M. Smith, services as moderator,	4 00
Ceylon M. Dodge, services as supervisor,	5 00
Fred L. Prentiss, services as town clerk, 1898,	25 00
E. M. Smith, retainer and counsel fee to April 1, 1899,	10 00
G. G. Banks, services as supervisor, 1897 and 1898,	15 00
George E. Cater, digging grave,	4 00
F. J. Marvin, services as town treasurer,	45 00
F. J. Marvin, services as treasurer school district,	10 00
S. G. Anderson, services, taking care town clock,	14 73
Geo. M. Rogers, services as dog constable,	4 00
Geo. M. Rogers, services as constable,	3 00
Mrs. H. A. Wilder, services as librarian,	22 00
H. D. Dickey, services as supervisor, 1897 and 1898,	15 00
H. D. Dickey, services as auditor,	2 00
M. E. Knight, services as election officer,	2 00
James Davis, services as election officer,	2 00
F. J. Leach, services as election officer,	2 00

C. H. Cooke, services as election officer,	$2 00
W. W. Dinsmore, services as tax collector,	75 00
J. F. Dickey, services as auditor,	2 00
C. M. Dodge, services as constable,	3 00
R. F. Oliver, services as member school board,	25 00
Geo. A. Mayo, services as member school board,	28 00
Geo. A. Mayo, services as member board of health, 1897 and 1898,	2 00
Mrs. Ina L. Putnam, services as member school board,	20 00
F. B. Trow, services as hearse driver and digging graves,	52 50
F. J. Marvin, services as janitor, town hall,	20 00
	$624 23

ORDERS DRAWN FOR ORDINARY TOWN CHARGES.

Marshall Perkins, returning births and deaths,	$1 25
John P. Kemp, abatement for watering trough,	2 00
Sentinel Printing Co., printing town reports,	30 00
W. O. Blake, burying three horses,	6 00
L. K. Osborne, abatement for watering trough,	2 00
Geo. P. Kingsbury, painting signs,	1 75
H. W. Porter, abatement for watering trough,	3 00
Chas. E. Ellis, abatement for watering trough,	2 00
J. S. Way, abatement for over-tax on Emily Glover's estate,	2 76
John Allen, abatement for over-tax,	4 28
J. A. Rawson, abatement for watering trough,	3 00
Andrew Chandler, abatement for watering trough,	2 00
Fred L. Prentiss, returning births, deaths and marriages,	4 50
Ware & Kent, repairs on scraper,	11 55
J. F. Dickey, work on town house, ballot box, etc.,	4 00
J. F. Dickey, abatement for watering trough,	3 00
E. M. Smith, insurance on town house,	20 00

R. E. Gates, abatement for watering trough,	$2 00
J. W. Lyman, abatement for watering trough,	2 00
J. S. Prouty, expenses to Keene, 6 times, incidentals, etc.,	11 28
W. H. Spalter, collector's book,	1 50
H. A. Lovell, wood for library,	1 35
R. F. Oliver, returning births and deaths,	4 00
F. J. Marvin, treasurer, school district literary fund,	107 26
W. W. Dinsmore, abatement of the following taxes: John Barrett, $1.38, Jos. Drolette, $1.59, W. H. Fuller, $1.38, Geo. Gilbert, $1.66, Jerry St. John, $1.38, John Webster, $1.38, Ambrose Rumrill, $1.38,	11 53
F. L. Prentiss, paper, postage stamps, blank books, etc.,	3 09
F. J. Marvin, wood for town hall, shovels, telephoning, oil, etc.,	27 71
	$274 81

HIGHWAYS AND BRIDGES.

A. A. Clark, labor and cash paid for breaking roads and shoveling snow in Feb. and Mar.,	$555 24
A. A. Clark, labor and cash paid on highway in April,	146 64
A. A. Clark, labor and cash paid on highway in May,	345 47
A. A. Clark, labor and cash paid on highway in June,	538 34
A. A. Clark, labor and cash paid on highway in July and Aug.,	198 25
A. A. Clark, labor and cash paid on highway in Sept.,	65 28
A. A. Clark, labor and cash paid on highway in Oct.,	68 61

A. A. Clark, labor and cash paid on highway in Nov.,	$126 16
A. A. Clarke, labor and cash paid on highway in Dec., Jan. and Feb.,	293 61
	$2,337 60

COUNTY PAUPERS.

H. A. Lovell, goods furnished Geo. M. Howard,	$12 50
H. P. Abbott, goods furnished Geo. M. Howard,	1 00
Martha Scott, support self,	10 50
Thomas Garrity, board Eli Richardson,	4 72
Martha Scott, support of self,	3 00
Thomas Garrity, cash for clothes, Eli Richardson,	6 12
H. P. Stevens, board Susan Reed,	19 00
H. A. Lovell, goods furnished Susan Reed,	1 26
R. F. Oliver, attendance and medicine, Susan Reed,	32 00
Mrs. Nancy Porter, support Emma Reed,	6 08
Mrs. L. D. Tinker, care Martha Scott,	13 00
J. S. Prouty, cash paid for Susan Reed,	1 00
Prentiss & Marvin, goods furnished Eli Richardson,	5 20
H. O. Webster, medicine furnished Geo. F. Kenny's family,	3 20
H. P. Stevens, board Susan Reed,	5 00
F. J. Marvin, goods furnished Geo. F. Kenny's family,	11 26
R. F. Oliver, medical attendance, Geo. F. Kenny's family,	2 00
Mrs. N. S. Porter, board and cash paid for Emma Reed,	20 32
F. D. Messer, potatoes and telephoning for doctor for Geo. F. Kenny's family,	95
Thomas Garrity, board Eli Richardson to Feb. 15,	11 00
	$169 11

TOWN PAUPERS.

L. Wellington, board John Mead,	$9 00
L. Wellington, board John Mead,	9 00
H. A. & A. P. Clough, board Francis Phillips,	48 00
L. Wellington, board John Mead,	11 25
H. A. & A. P. Clough, board Francis Phillips,	48 00
L. Wellington, board John Mead,	27 00
H. A. & A. P. Clough, board Francis Phillips,	24 00
L. Wellington, board John Mead,	20 25
H. A. & A. P. Clough, board Francis Phillips,	20 00
H. A. & A. P. Clough, board Francis Phillips,	28 00
L. Wellington, board John Mead,	15 75
L. Wellington, board John Mead,	11 25
H. A. & A. P. Clough, board Francis Phillips,	24 00
C. N. Dodge, keeping tramps,	1 00
L. Wellington, board John Mead to Feb. 15, 1899,	14 15
H. B. Chapin, keeping tramps,	6 50
J. S. Prouty, cash paid town of Surry, medical attendance, Mary D. Davis,	10 25
H. O. Webster, medicine furnished Lafayette Barney,	1 50
F. J. Marvin, goods furnished Lafayette Barney,	23 18
H. A. & A. P. Clough, board Francis Phillips to Feb. 15, 1899,	16 57
Cheshire County, board O. D. Peabody to Oct. 1, 1898,	57 85
H. A. Lovell, goods furnished Lafayette Barney,	40 50
F. D. Messer, wood furnished Lafayette Barney,	2 50
	$469 50

DEPENDENT SOLDIERS.

F. J. Marvin, goods furnished Charles Moultroup,	$7 00
F. J. Marvin, goods furnished Charler Moultroup,	28 00
F. J. Marvin, goods furnished Charles Monltroup,	27 00
	$62 00

REPAIRS ON CEMETERIES.

J. N. Hodskins, repairs on cemeteries,	$6 50
	$6 50

PUBLIC LIBRARY.

H. A. Lovell, trustee, money for library,	$74 10
	$74 10

SCHOOL SUPPLIES.

F. J. Marvin, treasurer town school district, money appropriated for supplies,	$150 00
	$150 00

REPAIRS OF SCHOOL HOUSES.

Mrs. Ina Putnam, member school board, money appropriated for repair of school houses,	$50 00
	$50 00

DAMAGE DONE BY DOGS.

Geo. H. Tuttle, sheep killed by dogs,	$9 00
	$9 00

RECEIPTS.

Cash on hand Feb. 15, 1898,	$1,556 90
Receipts during the year,	6,512 38
	$8,069 28

DISBURSEMENTS.

Disbursements during the year,	$6,712 55
Cash on hand Feb. 15, 1899,	1,356 73
	$8,069 28

DEBT.

Liabilities Feb. 15, 1898,	$3,623 55
Assets Feb. 15, 1898,	1,737 45
Balance of indebtedness, Feb. 15, 1898,	$1,886 10
Liabilities, Feb. 15, 1899,	$3,458 39
Assets, Feb. 15, 1899,	1,546 82
Balance of indebtedness, Feb. 15, 1899,	$1,911 57
Increase of indebtedness during year,	25 47

RECEIPTS.

Cash on hand, Feb. 15, 1898,	$1,556 90
Eunice Cheever, note,	100 00
License on dogs,	103 00
Cash received from county for county paupers,	167 48
Cash received for use hearse,	1 00
Cash received from county for dependent soldiers,	52 00
Cash received from rent of Phillips place,	13 25
Cash received from G. A. R. for rent of rooms,	50 00
Savings bank tax,	723 82
Literary fund,	100 80
Railroad tax,	90
Amount of warrant for taxes, W. W. Dinsmore, collector,	5,127 16
Added taxes,	2 76
Interest on taxes,	18 21
Cash received from F. J. Marvin for rent of hall,	32 00
Cash received from peddlers' licenses,	10 00
Cash received from liquor fine,	10 00
	$8,069 28

DISBURSEMENTS.

Eunice Cheever note,	$100 00
State tax,	1,049 75

County tax,	$1,009 95
Orders drawn to pay town officers,	624 23
Orders drawn to pay for ordinary town charges,	274 81
Orders drawn to pay for highways and bridges,	2,337 60
Orders drawn to pay for county paupers,	169 11
Orders drawn to pay for town paupers,	469 50
Orders drawn to pay for public library,	74 10
Orders drawn to pay for dependent soldiers,	62 00
Orders drawn to pay for damage by dogs,	9 00
Orders drawn to pay for school supplies,	150 00
Orders drawn to pay for repairing schoolhouses,	50 00
Orders drawn to pay for repairing cemeteries,	6 50
Bond paid,	200 00
Interest paid on bonds,	126 00
	$6,712 55
Excess of receipts over disbursements,	$1,356 73

LIABILITIES.

Kingsbury fund in treasury,	$606 06
Due school district for literary fund,	100 80
Due fire precinct,	43 90
Due repair of cemeteries,	44 08
Due Cheshire county, board O. D. Peabody,	48 93
Town bonds,	2,600 00
Interest on town bonds,	14 62
	$3,458 39

ASSETS.

Due for county paupers,	$58 93
Due for dependent soldiers,	27 00
Due for rent G. A. R. Post,	4 16
Eunice Cheever note,	100 00
Cash in treasury, Feb. 15, 1899,	1,356 73
	$1,546 82

ESTIMATED EXPENSES FOR 1899.

State tax, estimated,	$1,000 00
County tax, estimated,	1,000 00
Schools, estimated,	1,600 00
Ordinary town charges,	800 00
Roads and bridges,	1,500 00

Respectfully submitted,

J. S. PROUTY,
M. F. GREENE,
F. D. MESSER,
Selectmen of Alstead.

We, the undersigned, hereby certify that we have examined the accounts of the selectmen and find them correctly cast and balanced, and with proper vouchers therefor.

JOHN F. DICKEY,
H. D. DICKEY,
Auditors of the Town of Alstead.

TREASURER'S REPORT

For the Year Ending February 15, 1898.

Cash in treasury, Feb. 15, 1898,	$1,556 90
Eunice Cheever, note,	100 00
Rec'd of selectmen, county pauper claim,	167 48
Selectmen, dependent soldier claim,	52 00
Selectmen, peddlers' license,	10 00
F. L. Prentiss, town clerk, license on dogs,	103 00
Selectmen, rent G. A. R. rooms,	50 00
Selectmen, rent Francis Phillips place,	13 25
State treasurer, railroad tax,	90
State treasurer, literary fund,	100 80
State treasurer, savings bank tax,	723 82
Selectmen, rent town hall,	32 00
Selectmen, added tax,	2 76
Selectmen, interest on taxes,	18 21
Selectmen, use of hearse,	1 00
Selectmen, fine, Pine Cliff house,	10 00
W. W. Dinsmore, collector,	5,127 16
	$8,069 28

CASH PAID OUT OF TREASURY.

Paid orders of selectmen,	$4,226 85
Eunice Cheever, note,	100 00
E. Porter, town bond No. 7,	200 00
Coupons on bonds,	126 00
Paid state tax,	1,049 75

Paid county tax,	$1,009 95
Cash in treasury, Feb. 15, 1899,	1,356 73
	$8,069 28

Respectfully submitted,

F. J. MARVIN,
Treasurer.

We, the undersigned, hereby certify that we have examined the accounts of the treasurer, and find them correctly cast and balanced, and with proper vouchers therefor.

H. D. DICKEY,
JOHN F. DICKEY,
Auditors for the town of Alstead.

Alstead, N. H., Feb. 16, 1899.

ROAD COMMISSIONER'S REPORT.

LABOR AND CASH EXPENDED FOR REPAIRING ROADS AND BRIDGES AND BREAKING ROADS.

1897.

June.	Cash paid G. S. Wilder,	$3 25
Oct.	Cash paid A. M. French,	6 50
Dec.	Cash paid E. Hodgkins,	3 00
Dec.	Cash paid G. E. Holmes, lumber,	3 09
Dec.	Cash paid Henry Clough,	3 05

JANUARY, 1898—BREAKING ROADS.

A. P. Clough,	$3 60
J. D. Smith,	6 30
J. Nash,	1 50
H. D. Clark,	1 50
John Kemp,	72
Henry Thayer,	1 87
Israel Gratto,	9 07
Charles Moulthroup,	2 60

FEBRUARY—BREAKING ROADS.

A. A. Clark, labor,	$7 45
Joseph St. John,	45
W. Webster,	50
Arthur Shepherd,	2 55
Charles F. Pierce,	2 70
A. M. French,	4 88
John Britton,	90
George Tucker,	6 37

D. Greene,	$2 50
J. W. Ross,	5 92
Julius Porter,	5 46
Wesley Blake,	15 00
C. D. Fitzgerald,	1 80
Bert Burroughs,	2 50
George Burroughs,	3 50
Henry Porter,	5 67
Walter Wilson,	1 00
S. E. Gates,	3 12
Fred Wilson,	62
Leslie Chandler,	3 11
L. W. Barney,	1 62
A. P. Clough,	16 30
J. D. Smith,	23 93
J. Nash,	21 43
Daniel Pratt,	1 35
E. Wright,	1 95
George Hatch,	3 60
George Pratt,	11 68
George Winham,	2 50
G. J. Porter,	3 00
E. Griffin,	62
Kimball Austin,	2 12
Frank Lyman,	3 50
F. D. Messer,	22 60
Austin Smith,	1 86
H. D. Clark,	12 26
Mayland Ellis,	2 50
William Westney,	1 87
John Kemp,	2 34
Lewis & Knight,	12 50
Charles Ellis,	7 05
G. E. Newman,	52 20
Henry Clough,	7 85
Charles Garrity,	13 10
Charles Webster,	60
Henry Thayer,	3 56

George Cater,	$11 98
S. Savory,	1 98
Don Still,	6 75
A. E. Wilder,	3 53
J. W. Lyman,	7 00
Harlie Pratt,	11 55
Frank Bolio,	8 24
E. F. Whitman,	4 12
Will Bolio,	4 12
H. F. Hitch,	9 72
Fred A. Wright,	3 25
Frank Lefountain,	7 74
C. A. Milliken,	6 30
E. T. Stevens,	2 55
John Allen,	12 60
D. F. Brown,	87
Edward Allen,	13 50
Will Clark,	6 37
George Porter,	2 36
George Lakin,	5 25
D. Heaton,	5 55
Dana Wilder,	13 50
H. Raymond,	1 50
Edward Royce,	2 04
Henry Hall,	1 50
Gardner Banks,	2 50
Charles Barlow,	2 33
Charles Wilder,	5 87
Andrew Morrison,	17 37
Wilson Colburn,	2 50
George S. Wilder,	8 12

MARCH.

A. A. Clark, labor, breaking roads,	$5 70
Will Abbott,	15
Eugene Hodgkins,	4 55
Z. E. Foster,	1 50
Kimball Austin,	2 38
H. D. Clark,	75

Mayland Ellis,	$0 62
John Kemp,	90
Henry Clough,	6 15
Charles Ganity,	4 15
George Cater,	50
Charles Pierce,	1 50
J. W. Lyman,	62
E. P. Hatch,	1 05

APRIL.

A. A. Clark, labor,	$26 00
Lewis & Knight,	50 25
G. J. Porter,	10 50
John Dickey,	12 24
A. Timothy,	14 02
Charles Webster,	13 13
John Barrett,	10 00
Jasper Smith,	3 75
George Bolio,	3 75
William Howard,	3 00
Clough Bros.,	1 50

MAY.

A. A. Clark, labor,	$38 00
Lewis & Knight,	107 05
Frank Forestall,	46 10
G. J. Porter,	90
John Dickey,	5 00
Charles Kent,	1 75
E. Quillian,	6 50
F. Lefountain,	5 00
F. D. Messer, lumber,	1 40
S. G. Anderson, tile,	37 14
Charles Wilder,	5 00
Leslie Chandler,	1 88
A. Timothy,	19 55
Charles Webster,	18 00
John Barrett,	17 12
Jasper Smith,	14 75
George Bolio,	20 63

John Kemp,	$2 00
Charles Pierce,	22 10
J. W. Lyman,	6 00

JUNE.

A. A. Clark, labor,	$48 00
Lewis Knight,	154 60
Frank Lyman,	2 82
George Cater,	6 45
Jasper Smith,	25 75
F. Forestall,	27 60
A. P. Clough,	1 80
L. K. Osborne,	84
Arthur Shepherd,	3 50
George Hodgkins,	5 00
Sidney Pratt,	3 13
George Pratt,	3 13
Harlie Pratt,	5 10
Lewis Demerse,	12 00
Charles Pierce,	36 50
A. E. Wilder,	5 25
Charles Garrity,	5 00
Frank Lefountain,	2 00
A. Chandler,	1 87
George Long,	1 50
Henry Clough,	5 00
David Wilder,	6 00
Albert Thayer,	8 25
A. M. French,	13 50
Charles Webster,	27 33
George Bolio,	24 00
A. Timothy,	27 25
John Barrett,	4 50
Charles Wilder,	5 19
John Dickey,	3 50
Eugene Hodgkins,	17 50
Will Abbott,	1 00
Wesley Blake,	17 58
N. D. Heaton,	5 00

J. Nash,	$5 75
Lester Gates,	3 15
S. Savory,	19 50
George Savory,	13 05
George S. Wilder,	12 00

JULY.

A. A. Clark, labor,	$6 00
John Dickey,	4 12
Arthur Shepherd,	2 38
Henry Tuttle,	3 12

AUGUST.

A. A. Clark, labor,	$30 00
A. Timothy,	16 88
Charles Webster,	14 68
Frank Forestall,	21 75
F. D. Messer,	17 70
Charles Brackett,	4 00
Will Abbott,	2 07
Mayland Ellis,	1 00
Henry Clough,	3 25
Charles Garrity,	3 25
Leslie Chandler,	11 00
John Kemp,	4 11
Jasper Smith,	1 87
John Dickey,	2 17
Eugene Hodgkins,	3 25
John Hodgkins,	8 25
Lewis & Knight,	36 90
W. W. Colburn,	13 50
George Hatch,	6 00
A. E. Wilder,	2 50
Henry Tuttle,	4 08
Don Still,	3 20
Harlie Pratt,	3 75

SEPTEMBER.

A. A. Clark, labor,	$14 30
Charles Brackett,	35
F. D. Messer, plank,	5 36

Don Still,	$2 75
J. W. Ross,	3 80
John Burroughs,	6 75
Merrill Kidder,	2 70
Henry Stevens,	1 88
A. Timothy,	13 70
Charles Webster,	13 69
OCTOBER.	
A. A. Clark, labor,	$14 50
J. D. Smith,	6 95
N. D. Heaton,	3 00
Lewis & Knight,	15 00
Eugene Hodgkins,	3 67
A. Timothy,	5 50
Charles Webster,	6 50
William Howard,	4 50
Henry A. Lovell, nails and powder,	3 99
NOVEMBER.	
A. A. Clark, labor,	$22 80
O. Burge, filing saw,	25
Charles Brackett,	50
Arthur Shepherd,	20
F. D. Messer, lumber,	2 82
George Tucker, Jr.,	2 00
George Winham,	75
I. Gratto,	4 60
Charles Wilson,	44
Wesley Blake,	10 12
F. Lefountain, breaking roads,	2 12
Lewis & Knight,	9 00
A. Timothy,	14 14
Charles Webster,	6 88
J. W. Lyman, breaking roads,	1 75
G. S. Wilder,	2 28
Fred Carr,	7 25
E. P. Hatch,	50
Don Still,	88
Henry Clough,	5 00

Harlie Pratt,	$3 75
John Kemp,	1 75
Andrew Chandler,	2 63
J. D. Smith,	6 25
Charles Pierce,	1 50
Lewis & Knight,	1 75

DECEMBER—BREAKING ROADS.

A. A. Clark, labor,	$0 60
F. W. Clark, lumber,	27 19
George E. Holmes,	134 08
H. W. Raymond,	8 00
Harlie Pratt,	1 75
J. D. Smith,	3 93
F. Lafontain,	2 00

JANUARY, 1899—BREAKING ROADS.

A. A. Clark, labor,	$2 10
Harlie Pratt,	2 13
John Kemp,	1 24
A. Chandler,	3 60
J. D. Smith,	3 14

FEBRUARY.

A. A. Clark, labor,	$2 00
J. D. Smith,	3 61
Charles Webster,	60
George Dinsmore,	60
	$2,342 60

Orders received from selectmen,	$2,337 60
Cash received from sale old plank,	5 00
Amount used for repairs, roads and bridges,	1,662 28
Amount used for breaking roads,	680 32

Respectfully submitted,

A. A. CLARK,
Road Commissioner for town of Alstead.

REPORT OF THE SCHOOL BOARD.

In reviewing the school work of the past year, we find that much that is good has been accomplished. Capable teachers have been employed, who have conscientiously tried to labor for the advantage of their pupils; and therefore, where teacher and pupils have worked together, the best results have been obtained. A great cause of loss in gaining these best results for all most interested has been, as heretofore, the many absences on the part of many pupils. We must reiterate that in all cases the school work is greatly interfered with—neither teacher nor pupils being able to accomplish the work that otherwise might have been done. At the same time we know that imperative family duties many times cause some of these absences; and the worthy pupil should not feel discouraged because of this. School is important, but other things are also important. It is the part of a good teacher to know the circumstances of each pupil in his care, and encourage a necessary absence, as well as discourage an unnecessary one. The mere record of attendance is not an end in itself.

It is strange that we, as a people, should be so little interested in our public schools. What is there in public life of more importance? Nearly every household for a period of several years, is interlinked in its daily association with the school. Every man and woman in the community received the foundation of his intellectual culture in the public school. Why, then, should not those at least who should be most interested, namely the parents, give more time and thought to the drift of things in the public schools? An intelligent interest can only be gained by personal inspection; and this would be cordially welcomed by teachers and those connected with the schools. Fre-

quent visits from parents would do much toward establishing good will and sympathy between parents and teachers. Then, we are sure, would kindly criticisms and helpful suggestions be gladly received by teachers from parents; and parents would more clearly realize the strenuous efforts and patient work of the faithful teacher. The result would be greater benefit to those for whom both are laboring—namely, the children.

The schoolhouse in district No. 6 has been thoroughly repaired, and smaller repairs have been made in several other schoolhouses. That these small repairs should be kept up each year, is an important item in the economy of using school funds.

An Andrews Tellurian Globe has been purchased for the use of the schools. From this children may be given a comprehensive understanding of the relationships of the earth, sun, and moon; making an interesting study of a subject once left greatly to one's imagination.

The old spelling book has been replaced by the American Word Book—one whose words, and methods of using words, give valuable and useful knowledge to the child studying them.

The gift of Mr. Warren to the town should be, and no doubt is, greatly appreciated by the townspeople. Such gifts show a substantial interest in the town's welfare, and give power to aid materially in the betterment of our common schools.

As it is, although we may wish for improvement, we have no reason to feel ashamed of our schools. Those of our pupils who have gone from them to schools of higher grades, in various towns, have high standing in those schools; and we have others, still working in our schools, equally capable of taking as high a degree of excellence. This fact speaks for itself.

INA L. PUTNAM,
R. F. OLIVER,
GEO. A. MAYO,
Members of Alstead School Board.

ROLL OF HONOR.

PERFECT ATTENDANCE FOR THREE TERMS.

Ralph W. Forristall, Vera I. Clarke, Hazel F. Clarke.

FOR TWO TERMS.

Ernest Foster, May Webster, Carrie Cater, Bessie Porter, Elsie M. Cady, Bernice E. Smith, Pearle E. Clarke, Ethel Milliken.

FOR ONE TERM.

Leslie A. Clough, Dora Holden, Etta E. Cooke, Frank Kingsbury, Mildred Clarke, Nellie Fish, Guy Moulthroup, Leon Trow, Guy Webster, Ralph Webster, Minnie Clarke, Ida Clarke, Carl Savory, Mary Gratto, Gladys Hatch, Villa Cater, Lottie Porter, Harold Putnam, Lottie Whipple, Ernest Whipple, Florence M. Forristall, Inez L. Nash, Ada M. Nash, Irwin E. Page, Eveline A. Page, Carrie L. Wilder, Dora E. Wilder, Oscar Blake, Alice M. Porter, Grace French, George E. Newman, Jr., Walter R. Burroughs, Leon R. Britton, Lottie A. Kemp, Frank LaFountain, Myrtie J. Kidder, Albert G. Westney, Edith M. Westney, Della E. Griffith, Raymond P. Emmons, Ervin J. Westney, Edith M. Putney, Alice M. Lakin, G. Leroy Milliken, F. Percy Milliken, Ralph Robbins.

STATISTICAL TABLE.

School.	Name of Teacher.	No. of weeks.	No. of pupils.	No. of pupils over 15 years.	Av. attendance.	Reading.	Spelling.	Penmanship.	Arithmetic.	Geography.	Grammar.	History.	Composition.	Physiology.	Higher branches.	Vocal music.	Drawing.	Wages per month including board.
	SUMMER TERM.																	
No. 4 G.	Eva A. Wyman	10	19	4	16	19	19	19	19	17	19	15	19	19	2			$28.00
No. 4 P.	Elizabeth C. Wilder	10	26		23	26	26	26	26	7	6			26				26.00
No. 5.	Nellie C. Derby	10	21		19	21	21	21	21	15	13	1		21	1			26.00
No. 6.	Josephine M. Huntoon	10	17	1	16	17	17	16	16	15	13	4	13	6	7			24.00
No. 7.	Addie M. Gravlin	10	9		9	9	9	6	6	4				9		9	9	20.00
No. 10.	Nannie Buswell	9	6	1	5.8	6	6	6	6	5	5	2	5			6	6	23.00
No. 12.	Gertrude E. Morgan	10	17	2	16	17	15	17	15	11	12	2	15		2		17	28.00
No. 13.	Lenna J. Dickey	8	9		8	9	9	9	9	9	5	5	5	9	1			16.80
	FALL TERM.																	
No. 2.	Jessie F. Goodrich	13	7			7	7	7	6	6	2							18.00
No. 4 G.	Eva A. Wyman	10	20	2	15	20	20	20	20	20	20			20				28.00
No. 4 P.	Elizabeth C. Wilder	10	22		18	22	22	22	22	8				22				26.00
No. 5.	Laura L. James	10	20	1	17	20	20	20	20	11	11	4		20				24.00
No. 6.	Josephine M. Huntoon	10	15	1	13	14	14	14	13	12	10	3	10	14				24.00
No. 7.	Addie M. Gravlin	16	12	1	10	12	8	12	8	6	2			12		12	12	20.00
No. 10.	Edith G. Holden	10	7	1	6	6	6	5	5	5	5	2	5				5	20.00
No. 12.	Gratia E. Webster	11	26	5	23	26	26	24	24	23	20	4			2			29.00
No. 13.	Annie E. Currier	10	8		7	8	8	8	7	7	4							19.00
	WINTER TERM.																	
No. 4 G.	Eva A. Wyman	10	24	2	17	24	24	24	24	24	24	5		24				28.00
No. 4 P.	Elizabeth A. Wilder	10	16		10	16	16	16	16	8				16				26.00
No. 5.	Laura L. James	10	17	2	15	17	17	17	17	8	9	5		17				24.00
No. 6.	Josephine M. Huntoon	10	16	1	9.84	11	11	11	11	11	7	4	7	11				24.00
No. 10.	Edith G. Holden	6	7	1	6	6	5	5	5	5	5	2	5				5	20.00
No. 12.	Gratia E. Webster	9	17	4	10	17	17	17	17	15	12	2	13		1			30.00
No. 13.	Annie E. Currier	6	8		8	8	8	8	7	4	4			3				20.00

TABLE.

Division.	First Term.					Second Term.					Third term.				
	Absences, half days.	Instances tardiness.	Visitors.	Visits by board.	Perfect attendance.	Absences, half days.	Instances tardiness.	Visitors.	Visits by board.	Perfect attendance.	Absences, half days.	Instances tardiness.	Visitors.	Visits by board.	Perfect attendance.
No. 2						31	2	7	2	1					
No. 4, Grammar	189	21	37	3	2	210	40	12	3		328	78	16	3	1
No. 4, Primary	184	5	37	3	8	126	8	7	2	5	243	13	14	2	
No. 5	39	5	43	3	4	137		21	3	5	88	8	12	2	2
No. 6	66	5	20	3	5	77	22	14	3	1	74	3	20	3	4
No. 7	40	5	15	3	1	132	1	7	3	1					
No. 10	17	4	38	2	1	18	2	16	2	1	29	5	3	2	2
No. 12	114		15	2	8	96	6	22	2	5	133	18	9	1	1
No. 13	15	4	15	2	4	44	1	11	2	2			6	3	8

TOWN SCHOOL TREASURER'S REPORT

For the Year Ending Feb. 15, 1899.

EXPENDITURES.

Frank Bolio, 8 cords wood, district No. 4,	$24 00
H. N. Scripture, schooling Mabel Webster, district No. 4,	2 75
Wm. P. Abbott, sawing and housing 8 cords wood, in districts Nos. 5, 6 and 7,	7 00
Mrs. Lillian Wilder, cleaning schoolhouse and other work, in districts Nos. 5, 6 and 7,	5 50
Chester Demerse, painting and tinting schoolrooms,	12 00
Nellie C. Derby, teaching 2 weeks in district No. 5,	13 00
Gertrude E. Morgan, teaching in No. 12 school district,	20 00
Werner School Book Co., books, town of Alstead,	4 85
University Pub. Co., readers, town of Alstead,	2 40

J. L. Hammett Co., report cards,	$1 15
Mrs. W. S. Brown, cleaning schoolroom, No. 12,	1 50
Mrs. H. W. Raymond, cleaning schoolroom, No.10,	1 00
W. P. Abbott, building fire in schoolroom No. 4,	2 70
Lenna J. Dickey, teaching summer term in No. 13, including board,	42 00
Ethel Millikin, building fires in No. 13,	50
Addie Gravlin, teaching 10 weeks in No. 7,	50 00
Josephine Huntoon, teaching 10 weeks in No. 6,	60 00
Nellie C. Derby, teaching 8 weeks in No. 5, including board.	52 00
E. C. Wilder, teaching and care of room, No. 4,	66 00
Eva A. Wyman, teaching and care room, No. 4,	71 00
G. E. Morgan, teaching in No. 4, summer term,	50 00
Ned Taylor, building fire, No. 12,	50
Nannie Buswell, teaching summer term, No. 10,	32 00
Frank Lafountain, mileage,	2 32
J. L. Nash, transportation, 4 pupils, summer term,	9 56
F. M. Forristall, 762 ft. timber, for schoolhouse No. 6,	7 62
Don H. Still, mileage on scholars,	1 18
J. P. Kemp, mileage, 2 scholars,	3 68
American Book Co., school supplies,	45 28
J. L. Hammett, school supplies,	13 18
Geo. F. King & Co., school supplies,	25 24
F. J. Marvin, supplies furnished for repairs for schoolrooms,	9 67
M. J. Kidder, board teacher and 1 cord wood,	24 00
C. D. Smith, work and supplies for schoolrooms in Nos. 5 and 6,	31 70
Walpole School Board, tuition, 6 pupils, spring term school,	15 00
H. P. Stevens, transportation of pupils,	5 50
J. W. Lyman, wood furnished No. 12,	3 50
F. L. Prentiss, supplies for schools,	5 20
Lewis & Knight, freight and cartage,	2 38
Grace Webster, teaching school 11 weeks in No. 12, including board,	79 75

Annie Currier, teaching ten weeks in No. 13, including board,	$47 50
George D. Clark, work on schoolhouses, Nos. 10, 12 and 15,	8 75
Miss J. M. Huntoon, teaching 10 weeks in No. 6,	60 00
Miss Laura James, teaching 9 weeks in No. 5,	54 00
M. J. Kidder, boarding teacher 10 weeks in No. 10,	22 50
M. J. Kidder, shingles and laying same,	12 00
Walter Stuart, building fire, No. 4,	1 25
H. C. Rawson, express on bundles,	4 70
J. L. Nash, transportation, 3 pupils,	5 50
Frank Lafountain, transportation, 2 pupils,	2 44
J. P. Kemp, transportation, 3 pupils,	4 65
Don H. Still, mileage,	70
Edith Holden, teaching 10 weeks, No. 10,	28 50
Jessie F. Goodrich, teaching 13 weeks, No. 2,	57 00
Arthur Putnam, 3 cords wood for No. 5,	7 50
Fred Grotto, sawing and housing 3 cords,	2 25
Addie M. Gravlin, teaching 16 weeks, District No. 7, including board,	80 00
Albert Porter, building fire and care of house in No. 7,	1 80
C. D. Fitzgerald, transportation of pupils, No. 2,	26 00
Eva Wyman, teaching 10 weeks and care of room,	71 00
E. B. Wilder, teaching 10 weeks and care of room,	66 00
Henry Clough, wood for No. 2,	4 50
J. W. Lyman, wood furnished No. 12,	3 75
Annie Currier, teaching 6 weeks, No. 13,	30 00
C. H. Milliken, wood furnished No. 13,	5 73
Ethel Milliken, building fires,	90
W. H. Spalter, supplies for school work,	3 80
F. M. Forristall, 2 cords wood, No. 6,	6 00
S. G. Anderson, supplies and labor, Nos. 2 and 4,	9 20
Miss J. M. Huntoon, teaching 10 weeks in No. 6,	60 00
Laura B. James, teaching 10 weeks in No. 5,	60 00
Fred Grotto, building fire 10 weeks in No. 5,	2 00
F. M. Forristall, ½ cord wood, No. 6,	1 50
Geo. A. Mayo, cash paid, repairs and incidentals,	5 75

Grace E. Webster, teaching winter term, No. 12, including board,	$67 50
Eva A. Wyman, teaching 10 weeks in No. 4 and care of house,	71 00
Elizabeth C. Wilder, teaching primary grade, No. 4, 10 weeks and care of room,	66 00
James Fowler, building fire, No. 4,	5 00
Irvin Page, building fire 10 weeks, No. 10,	2 00
J. L. Nash, mileage, 3 pupils,	5 95
Prentiss & Marvin, 2 110-128 cords wood, $3 per cord,	8 58
H. D. Dickey, repairs on schoolhouse No. 4,	4 60
M. J. Kidder, wood, repairs on windows, and board of teacher 6 weeks,	19 38
G. A. Mayo, wood furnished,	7 00
Edith Holden, teaching 6 weeks, No. 10,	16 50
Ina L. Putnam, incidentals,	1 50
A. Dounethy, 1 Telliman globe,	15 00
Werner School Book Co., copy books,	9 22
Leach, Shewell & Co., school books,	5 58
Rand-McNally, school books,	12 96
J. L. Hammett Co., school books,	4 06
F. J. Marvin, supplies for use of schools,	4 45
	$1,890 06

RECEIPTS.

Cash on hand February 15, 1898,	$27 72
Received of town of Langdon, 2 years' tuition,	60 16
Received of R. F. Oliver, sale of books, etc.,	2 47
Received of G. A. Mayo, sale of books and grass,	85
Received of town of Marlow, tuition,	2 00
Received of selectmen, literary fund,	107 26
Received of selectmen, school supplies,	150 00
Received for schoolhouse repairs,	50 00
Received of W. W. Dinsmore, collector,	1,686 36
Total amount received,	$2,086 82

Expenditures,	$1,890 06
Cash on hand February 15, 1899,	$196 06

F. J. MARVIN,
School Treasurer.

We, the undersigned, hereby certify that we have examined the accounts of the school treasurer, and find them correctly cast and balanced, and with proper vouchers therefor.

JOHN F. DICKEY,
H. D. DICKEY,
Auditors of Alstead School District.

REPORT OF TRUSTEES OF LIBRARY.

The financial report is as follows:

RECEIPTS.

Cash on hand Feb. 15, 1898,	$15 79
Cash received from town,	74 10

EXPENDITURES.

Cash paid for new books,	$62 99
Cash paid for rebinding books,	7 75
For binding magazines,	2 80
For cards and number slips for library,	5 60
For express on books,	73
Silesia, etc., for covering books,	1 40
Postage,	20

Respectfully submitted,

H. A. LOVELL, Chairman,
F. J. MARVIN,
REV. W. E. LOCKE,
MRS. S. J. FISH, Secretary,
DR. R. F. OLIVER,
MRS. INA L. PUTNAM,
Trustees of Library.

VITAL STATISTICS.

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To the Selectmen:

In compliance with an act of the legislature passed June session, 1887, requiring clerks of towns to furnish a transcript of the record of births, marriages and deaths for publication in the Annual Report, I hereby submit the following:

BIRTHS REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF ALSTEAD, N. H., FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1898.

Date of Birth.	Name of Child (if any).	Sex and Condition.			Name of Father.	Maiden Name of Mother.	Occupation of Father.	Birthplace of Father.	Birthplace of Mother.	Age of Father.	Age of Mother.
		Male or Female.	Living or Stillborn.	No. of child 1st, 2d, etc.							
Jan. 6		F	L	4	Prentiss Britton.	Jessie Griffin.	Farmer.	Alstead.	Keene.	26	21
Mar 22		M	L	1	Joseph Nichols.	Ethel M. Dodge.	"	Leominster, Ms.	Leominster, Ms.	25	19
Apr. 18		F	L	3	Walter E. Wilson.	Jennie B. Windham.	Laborer.	Alstead.	Marlow.	27	20
May 24		F	S	2	Chas. F. Timothy.	Etta L. Cady.	Teamster.	Walpole.	Alstead.	22	20
" 28		M	L	3	Geo. E. Bolio.	Ellen J. Smith.	Laborer.	Unity.	"	24	21
July 16	Rollie Jefferson.	M	L	4	Roland Stapleton.	Lillie Stapleton.	Engineer.	Andover, Vt.	Worcester, Ms.	28	20
Aug. 23		F	L	1	Arthur E. Wilder.	Sarah Hodgkins.	Farmer.	Alstead.	Alstead.	37	35
Sep. 20		M	L	11	Frank Lafountain.	Ella M. Currier.	Laborer.	Essex.	Chester, Vt.	42	40
" 29		F	L	5	H. O. Webster.	Maud E. Evans.	Druggist.	Alstead.		43	30
Oct. 6		F	L	3	Everett W. Jackson.	Mary Blodgett.	Laborer.	Grafton, Vt.	Charlestown.	31	18
" 12		M	L	3	Leon M. Osborne.	Mattie A. Wilder.	Farmer.	Westmoreland.	Wallingford, Vt.	27	28
Nov. 5	Elizabeth.	F	L	3	Stephen Arnent.	Susie Joshray.	"	Germany.	Hungary.	27	26
Dec. 5	Margaret Elizabeth.	F	L	1	Bernard Smith.	Elizabeth Galway.	"	Boston, Ms.	England.	22	23

Marriages Registered in the Town of Alstead, N. H,, for the Year ending December 31, 1898.

Date of Marriage.	Place of Marriage.	Name and Surname of Groom and Bride.	Residence of each at time of Marriage.	Age in years.	Occupation of Groom and Bride.	Place of Birth of each.	Names of Parents.	Birthplace of Parents.	Condition.*	Name, Residence and Official Station of person by whom married.
Feb. 26	Alstead.	Elroy O. Wyman.	Westminster, [Vt.	31	Laborer.	Rockingham, [Vt.	Hollis Wyman.	Westminster, Vt	1st	Rev. I. B. Stuart,
		Addie M. Moultroup.	Alstead.	17		Alstead.	Chas. Moultroup.	Alstead.	1st	Alstead.
Aug 28	Drewsville.	Frank G. Webster.	Alstead.	32	Miller.	Alstead.	Granv'le Webster.	Alstead.	1st	Rev. D. L. San- [ford,
		Susan M. Hutchins.	Charlestown.	18			Pearl Hutchins.		1st	Drewsville.

* Whether single or widowed. What marriage—whether 1st, 2d, etc.

Deaths Registered in the Town of Alstead, N. H., for the Year ending December 31, 1898.

Date of Death.	Name and Surname of the Deceased.	Age.			Place of Birth.	Sex and Cond'n		Place of Birth.		Name of Father.	Maiden Name of Mother.
		Years.	Months.	Days.		Male or Female.	S., M., W.*	Father.	Mother.		
Jan. 1	Mahala B. Fisher.	82	7	13	Westmoreland.	F	W			Shepard Edson.	Rachel B. Leonard.
" 14	James A. Browne.	74	7	6	Alstead.	M	M	Alstead.	Massachusetts.	Abijah Browne.	Sarah Shepard.
Feb. 27	Evelyn C. Gibson.	42	3	7	New York City.	F	W	New Jersey.	New York.	Joseph Myers.	Harriett Delamanty.
Apr. 5	Geo. V. R. Watts.	85	1	25	Alstead.	M	M				
July 15	Hariett N. Marvin.	74	2	8	"	F	M	Alstead.	Alstead.	Isaac Cram.	—— Brown.
" 26	Susan P. Kidder.	78	9	14	Hancock.	F	W	Hancock.	Bolton, Ms.	Eli Washburn.	Nancy Pratt.
" 27	Andrew Morrison.	62	7	8	Alstead.	M	M	Alstead.	Marlow.	Samuel Morrison.	Eliza A. Briggs.
Aug. 8	Louise Lafountain.	3	6	18	Marlow.	F	S	Essex, Vt.	Chester, Vt.	Frank Lafountain.	Ella M. Currier.
" 26				3	Alstead.	F	S	Alstead.	Alstead.	A. E. Wilder.	Sarah Hodgkins.
Sep. 21				1	"	M	S	Essex, Vt.	Chester, Vt.	Frank Lafountain.	Ella M. Currier.
" 30	Francelia Howard.	37	8	4	Marlow.	F	M	Marlow.	Walpole.	Christopher Lewis.	Nancy Snow.
Oct. 24	Merritt R. Barlow.			9	Alstead.	M	S	Bridgeport, N. Y.	Hague, N. Y.	Charles E. Barlow.	Effie E. Barlow.
Nov. 20	Harriett F. Powers.	75	9		Westminster, Vt.	F	W	Westminster, Vt.		Joseph Fairbrother.	Rebecca Jackson.
" 30	Sylvia Messer.	73	11	29	Leominster.	F	W	Leominster.	Leominster, Ms.	Nathan Broth.	—— Bradford.
Dec. 21	Fannie C. D. Miller.	72	9	20		F	W	Rockingham, Vt.		Elijah Davis.	—— Tyler.

* Single, married or widowed.

I hereby certify that the foregoing transcript of births, marriages and deaths is correct, according to the best of my knowledge and belief.

FRED L. PRENTISS, Town Clerk.

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